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SUBJECT: VISIT TO VENEZUELA BY PRIME MINISTER OF JAMAICA

1. RE AMBASSADOR DE ROULET' S VARIOUS MESSAGES CONCERNING STATE VISIT HERE OF JAMACIAN PRIME MINISTER MANLEY, WE SHOULD SAY THAT VISIT WAS A GREAT SUCCESS FROM BOTH JAMAICAN AND VENEZUELAN POINTS OF VIEW. TEXT OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE IS REPORTED SEPARATELY.
 2. I HAD SEVERAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONFIDENTIAL CONVERSATIONS WITH THE PRIME MINISTER AND WAS INTERESTED IN HIS REMARK THAT MAIN PURPOSE OF HIS TRIP HAD BEEN TO VISIT THE ELECTRICAL, STEEL, ALUMINUM COMPLEX AT CIUDAD GUAYANA ON THE LOWER ORINCO. HE SAID JAMAICA HAD A VERY KEEN INTEREST IN SELLING ITS ALUMINA AND BAUSITE TO WHAT WOULD IN FUTURE PROVE TO BE ONE OF THE WORLD' S LARGEST ALUMINUM MANUFACTURING CENTERS.
 3. MANLEY ALSO TOLD ME THAT ALTHOUGH HE WAS HERE IN A SORT OF " HEARTS ACROSS THE SEA" CONFAB WITH PRESIDENT CALDERA AND FONMIN CALVANI, JAMAICA BY NO MEANS HAD LOST SIGHT OF FACT THAT ITS PRINCIPAL FRIEND AND PROTECTOR IS THE UNITED STATES. IN RESPONSE TO CALVANI' S TOAST AT A DINNER GIVEN LAST FRIDAY NIGHT IN WHICH CALVANI REFERRED REPEATEDLY TO THE CARIBBEAN AS BEING " MARE NOSTRUM," MANLEY LOOKED MEANINGFULLY AT ME
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WHEN HE MADE HIS RESPONSE AND SAID THAT ALTHOUGH INDEED THE
CARIBBEAN LINKED MANY COUNTRIES JAMAICA DID NOT FORGET
ITS OTHER TIES AND FRIENDS ELSEWHERE
IN THE HEMISPHERE.
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